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O Almighty and Eternal God, we lift our thoughts unto thee, knowing thee in part, but rejoicing that thou hast revealed thyself. We pray in humility and ~~yet~~ in reverence in the knowledge that in prayer we commune with thee. Hear our words and meditations O Lord: give us insight and sensitivity that our prayers may reflect thy will.

Let us give thanks.

O Thou who art our creator and sustainer, at this time of Thanksgiving, we are reminded of thy providence and thy care. Thou hast given us life, thou hast given us food and shelter: From the bounty of thy creation we have taken the good and beautiful things which enable us to live in comfort and security. For this - and for all thou hast done we give thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let us pray for others

O Thou who taught us to love and serve thee by loving and serving our Fellowmen, we humbly pray for those less fortunate than we. As we celebrate the return of another bountiful harvest we pray for those who hunger. As we worship in warmth and security we pray for the oppressed. As we live in optimism and hope we pray for those who have no hope. Be with those of our own number who are ill - Through J.C. our Lord.

Let us pray for ~~our~~ the Church in the coming week

O Thou who founded the Church and hast fed it through the years with thine eternal word, we humbly beseech thee for guidance and direction. We offer unto thee our efforts and labors, we ask for the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may be guided to act according to Thy will.

(Our Father, as we begin this time of expectancy we open our hearts anew to the miracle of Bethlehem; give unto us a new awareness of that event: help us to await it and celebrate it in spirit and in truth,) through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray saying